Geospatial Concept of Operations (GeoCONOPS) & the GeoPlatform

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GeoCONOPS – Origins

- Initially a book updated annually
- Lead by the DHS GMO
- Governed by, and supporting the Homeland Security Enterprise
- Movement to push content to the web for:
 - Ability to dynamically manage content
 - Enhanced discoverability of content
 - Broader access to HSE partners









GeoCONOPS - Basics

- Catalog of federal, state, and local partners and resources supporting the Homeland Security mission geospatially
- Mission Area descriptions provide framework for preparedness and action
- Nothing hosted only how to access
- Updated and enhanced dynamically
- Reliant on community input and GMO discovery efforts



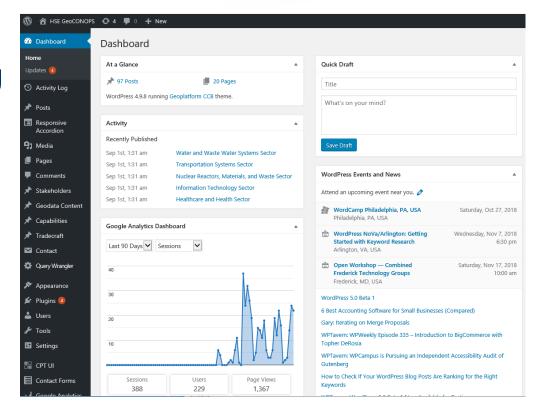
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GeoCONOPS & GeoPlatform

- GeoPlatform host for community pages minimal technical burden/financial outlay
- Third party posting can smooth policy blockages for external information sharing
- WordPress platform allows for a range of contributor tiers and capabilities
- Dashboard interface provides greater understanding of site and activity
- GeoPlatform team provides hosting, account administration and technology consulting



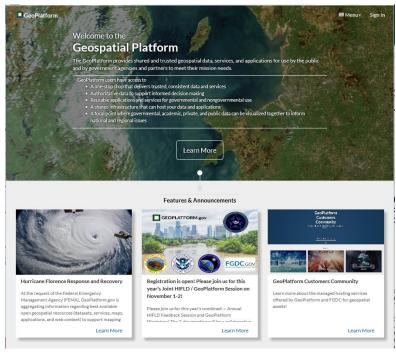




GeoPlatform Considerations

- Reduced policy oversight requires thoughtful content vetting and does not mitigate the need for agency approvals nor consequences from misstatements:
 - GeoCONOPS prefers to use approved text and links from partners, their websites or other approved documents
 - Original content must undergo internal reviews
- Editing in production brings risks that must be mitigated through awareness, training and recovery planning
- Outsourcing web hosting to the GeoPlatform is ideal for interagency collaboration as content is on a neutral and accessible site.
- Site reliability









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